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# **Property Tax Assistance Application (PTAP)**

15-6-305, MCA

#### Part I. General Information

### **Program Changes:**

- Property owners who were in the program as of December 31, 2014, do not have to reapply.
- New applicants are required to apply the first year only. Apply by April 15.
- Everyone has to meet income and property ownership/occupancy requirements every year.
- Once you have applied for the program, we will notify you each year whether you qualify. You will be included in the program's annual income verification until you move from your residence.
- If you are eligible, the PTAP benefit is applied to the first \$200,000 of the market value of your primary residential property. The five-acre parcel limitation has been eliminated. For agricultural and timber parcels, the benefit applies only to the one acre home sites (if you are eligible).

Part II. Required Information					
Property Owner Name	Spouse's Name				
Birth Date	Birth Date				
Social Security Number	Social Security Number				
Contact Phone Number	Contact Phone Number				
County					
Applicant's Mailing Address	Applicant's Primary Residence Physical Address				
Provide your <b>2014</b> Federal Adjusted Gross Income (FAGI) Include your spouse's income if you are married. (Spouse whether they are owners of the property.)					
Is your only income from social security, veterans' benefits If yes, include a copy of your social security statement and completed application form.					
If this application is for a mobile or manufactured home, do home is located?					

Return your completed and signed application to your local Department of Revenue office. Your application must be postmarked or hand-delivered by April 15. Go to *revenue.mt.gov* and click on *Property Assessment*, then *Contact Us* for the mailing addresses of our 56 local county Department of Revenue offices or call us toll free (866) 859-2254 (in Helena 444-6900). (If you miss the deadline, apply as soon as possible to ensure you are included in the program's verification process for the following tax year.)

Important! Your signature is required in Part IV.

# Part III. Qualifying Criteria

You must own or currently be under contract to purchase your home or mobile/manufactured home and occupy the home as your primary residence for at least seven months of the year.

The income guidelines are: A single applicant's Federal Adjusted Gross Income (FAGI), excluding capital and income losses, must be less than \$21,032 and heads of household and married applicants' FAGI must be less than \$28,043. Spouses' incomes are included regardless of whether they are owners of the property.

You only need to report your income one time. In future years, the department will determine your eligibility through our annual verification process.

# Part IV. Affirmation and Signature(s)

Under penalty of law, I/we affirm that I/we are owners of the property on which we are applying for the property tax benefit, that I/we occupied the property as my/our primary residence for at least seven months of a calendar year and that the information provided in this application form is true and correct.

X Property Owner Signature	Date
X Property Owner's Spouse Signature	Date
X Signature of Person Completing this Form (if other than applicant)	Date
Printed Name	Phone
Relationship to ApplicantEmail or Other Contact Information	
Please let us know how you heard about the Property Tax Assistance Program (PTAI	P).

**Questions or Need Help?** Please call us toll free at (866) 859-2254 (in Helena, 444-6900) or visit our website at *revenue.mt.gov*.